

Response
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Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 30-49 and add new claims 50-69. No new matter is added to the application by this amendment. All of the claims now pending in the application are reproduced below for ease of reference.

Listing of Claims:

1.-49. (Canceled)

50. (New) A toy vehicle comprising:

a vehicle body, the vehicle body including an alignment member;

a chassis, the chassis being coupleable to the vehicle body;

a cockpit, the cockpit being configured to be disposed between the chassis and the vehicle body, the cockpit including an alignment member, the vehicle body including an alignment member, the alignment member of the cockpit being configured to cooperate with the alignment member of the vehicle body to align the cockpit relative to the vehicle body, the cockpit including a first magnet and a second magnet;

a first component including a rotatable element, the first component being coupleable to the first magnet and disposed between the cockpit and the chassis; and

a second component including a rotatable element, the second component being coupleable to the second magnet and disposed between the cockpit and the chassis.

51. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 50, wherein the first component includes an axle and a pair of wheels, each of the wheels being coupled to the axle.

52. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 50, wherein the cockpit includes a pedestal, the first magnet being coupled to the pedestal.

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53. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 50, wherein the pedestal is a first pedestal and the cockpit includes a second pedestal, the second magnet being coupled to the second pedestal.

54. (New) A toy vehicle comprising:

- a first component resembling a first portion of a vehicle;

- a second component resembling a second portion of a vehicle, the second component being configured to be coupled to the first component;

- a third component resembling a third portion of a vehicle, the third component being configured to be disposed between the first component and the second component;

- an alignment assembly, the alignment assembly including a receiving member and an outwardly extending member, the receiving member being configured to receive the outwardly extending member, the third component including the receiving member of the alignment assembly, and the first component including the outwardly extending member of the alignment assembly; and

- a first rotatable element resembling a portion of a vehicle, the third component including a first magnet, the first rotatable element being coupleable to the first magnet.

55. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 54, further comprising:

- a second rotatable element resembling a portion of a vehicle, the third component including a second magnet, the second rotatable element being coupleable to the second magnet.

56. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 54, wherein the first component resembles a vehicle body, the second component resembles a chassis, and the third component resembles a cockpit of a vehicle.

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57. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 54, wherein the first rotatable element includes an axle and a pair of wheels coupled to the axle, the wheels being mounted on opposite ends of the axle.

58. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 54, wherein the third component is coupled to the second component by magnets.

59. (New) A toy vehicle comprising:

- a chassis;
- a vehicle body, the vehicle body being coupled to the chassis;
- a cockpit, the cockpit being configured to be disposed between the chassis and the vehicle body;
- means for aligning the cockpit relative to the vehicle body;
- means for magnetically coupling the cockpit to the chassis; and
- means for mounting an axle proximate to the chassis, the axle including wheels mounted thereto.

60. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 59, wherein the means for aligning the cockpit includes an aperture and a post, the aperture being configured to receive the post.

61. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 60, wherein the cockpit includes the aperture and the vehicle body includes the post.

62. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 59, wherein the means for mounting an axle proximate to the chassis includes a magnet, the magnet being disposed proximate to the axle.

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63. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 59, wherein the cockpit includes a pedestal and the means for magnetically coupling includes a magnet, the magnet being coupled to the pedestal, the pedestal being configured to support a component of the toy vehicle.

64. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 59, wherein the cockpit is configured to support the axle spaced apart from the vehicle body.

65. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 59, wherein the means for magnetically coupling the cockpit to the chassis includes a plurality of magnets.

66. (New) A toy vehicle comprising:

- a vehicle body, the vehicle body including an alignment member;

- a chassis, the chassis including a first magnet and a second magnet;

- a cockpit, the cockpit being configured to be disposed between the chassis and the vehicle body, the cockpit including an alignment member, the alignment member of the cockpit being configured to cooperate with the alignment member of the vehicle body to align the cockpit relative to the vehicle body, the cockpit including a third magnet and a fourth magnet, the fourth magnet being configured to cooperate with the second magnet when the cockpit and the chassis are disposed proximate to each other, the third magnet being configured to cooperate with the first magnet when the cockpit and the chassis are disposed proximate to each other;

- a first axle, the first axle having a first end and a second end, the first axle including a first wheel coupled to the first end and a second wheel coupled to the second end, the first axle being disposed between the first magnet and the third magnet when the cockpit and the chassis are disposed proximate to each other, the first axle being mounted so that it can rotate relative to the cockpit and the chassis; and

- a second axle, the second axle having a first end and a second end, the second axle including a third wheel coupled to the first end of the second axle and a fourth wheel coupled to

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the second end of the second axle, the second axle being disposed between the second magnet and the fourth magnet when the cockpit and the chassis are disposed proximate to each other, the second axle being mounted so that it can rotate relative to the cockpit and the chassis.

67. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 66, wherein the cockpit includes a first support plate and a second support plate, the third magnet is located between the first support plate and the second support plate, the first support plate and the second support plate being configured to support the first axle, and the cockpit includes a third support plate and a fourth support plate, the fourth magnet is located between the third support plate and the fourth support plate, the third support plate and the fourth support plate being configured to support the second axle.

68. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 67, wherein each of the first support plate and the second support plate includes a groove that is configured to receive the first axle, and each of the third support plate and the fourth support plate includes a groove that is configured to receive the second axle.

69. (New) The toy vehicle of claim 68, wherein the chassis includes a first recess and a second recess that are configured to be aligned with the first support plate and the second support plate, respectively, and the chassis includes a third recess and a fourth recess that are configured to be aligned with the third support plate and the fourth support plate, respectively, and each of the recesses being configured to mate with a respective one of the support plates.